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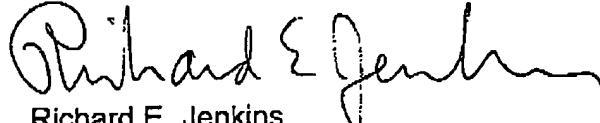
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In re Application of: Pourdeyhimi Group Art Unit: 2122

Serial No.: 10/612,790 Examiner: Sharon Brooks

Filed: July 2, 2003 Docket No.: 297/180

Confirmation No.: 5458

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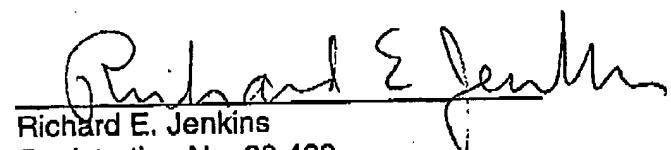
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